

Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Secretary of State announces scholarships for winter and spring

Secretary of State Matt Blunt and State Librarian Sara Parker announce the Missouri State Library scholarships for the 2004 winter and spring academic semester and invite graduate and undergraduate applications. The Missouri State Library Graduate and Undergraduate Scholarships are supported by funds from the federal Library Services and Technology Act.

For application forms and additional information, go to: http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/scholarship

Please contact Patrice Vale at 573-522-1477 or <u>valep@sosmail.state.mo.us</u> with any questions.

Trade Secrets workshops

Are you looking for new and innovative ideas to enhance services to youth? The 2003 Trade Secrets videoconference workshops sponsored by the Missouri State Library will feature a variety of Missouri youth librarians who will share highlights about the outstanding programs they have developed. As always, participants at Trade Secrets will also have the opportunity to share their own successful ideas about programs, services, and promotion. Attend the Trade Secrets videoconference workshop at any of the four locations to learn about exemplary programs and share ideas.

- Columbia Public Library
- St. Charles City-County Library, Administrative Building
- Springfield-Greene County Library, The Library Center
- West Plains Public Library

For more information and to register, go to:

http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/tradesecrets

10th anniversary for Missouri Center for the Book

The Missouri Center for the Book will hold its 10th anniversary celebration on November 15, 2003, in St. Louis at the Schlafly Branch of St. Louis Public Library. This free event will feature readings and book signings by eight well-known Missouri authors. To view the program, go to http://books.missouri.org

2003 E-rate training sessions scheduled

MOREnet has scheduled E-rate training sessions in late October and early November for Missouri library staff. The sessions are introductions to the E-rate program, which provides discounts on telecommunication services, Internet access, and internal connections for all public and private schools and libraries. During this training, participants will receive an overview of the program (including eligible services), the application process, and required forms. Form 471 will be covered in depth.

All Missouri library staff members are encouraged to attend. Attendees do not have to be from Missouri public schools and libraries that are part of the K-12 TNP or REAL programs.

Training sessions will be conducted in Independence, Macon, Springfield, Poplar Bluff, Camdenton, and St. Peters. Additional information on dates and locations, including directions, is available at http://www.more.net/services/e-rate/training2003.html

To register for an E-rate regional training session, please e-mail training@more.net or call (800) 509-6673 and ask for training. Please include your name, daytime phone number, E-mail address, organization, and location and date of training that you wish to attend.

Please contact Jeanne Sullivan at (800) 509-6673 or erate@more.net with any questions.

YALSA and Cable in the Classroom offer opportunity to combine technology and poetry

Cable in the Classroom (CIC) and the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) are working together to offer a unique opportunity for librarians to combine poetry and technology in a pilot project called Project Cam. This project, done with Web cams and broadband access, allows school and public libraries in different locations to collaborate and create a virtual Teen Read Week experience.

Any combination of two school library media centers or public libraries can plan a project together. The collaboration can be a virtual poetry slam, an open mike reading between two locations, a high school class reading poetry to an elementary class, a Spanish class reading poems to another Spanish class, or something altogether different.

In order to get a virtual event planned in time for Teen Read Week, October 19-25, visit Project Cam's web site at http://www.ciconline.org/ProjectCam and see the FAQ for requirements and further information.

For more information on Teen Read Week, visit http://www.ala.org/teenread or contact YALSA at (312) 280-4387 or valsa@ala.org

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